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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Good day,

my name is Gheoghiu Alex and I'm from Europe/Romania. I'm 24 years old and I work with computers since 14 (so I had 10 years of experience).

Right now I'm a student at Faculty of Informatics and Faculty of Bioengineering.

1.A few years ago when the Internet emerged Netscape browser was the first and best browser that allow a person to navigate on the Internet. This browser was provided by Netscape.

After a year or so, Microsoft launched a browser, named Internet Explorer and incorporated it in Microsoft Windows 95 an Microsoft Windows 98. So when you have something that came for nothing and it is imposed you will used it; and so Nescape in a few years almost disappeared from the browser market.

- 2.Around 95 Sun Microsystem launched a new programming language named Java whose purpose was to allow you to write a program that will work on every operating system like: Microsoft Windows, Linux, Unix, to work with special devices like future cell-phones, palmtops and even to incorporate in a cars computer, microwaves, TV, etc.

 When they see that this language became so popular among programmers they decide to stop its ascension and try to pervert its basic roles but Sun Microsystem, IBM, Oracle continues to follow initial concept totally independence from platform.
- 3.Here is a small funny thing when Microsoft take the leadership in browser war, they took all rivals facilities (those facilities included Java) and so Microsoft kept the Java in their browser. Now they have monopole and because of that they to throws away Java from the Internet Explorer 6.0 browser and put their proprietary languages like VisualBasic.

All I want to say is that Microsoft step by step take control of very aspect of computer world, from operating system to cell phones.

I know that USA is a country where freedom is the law (my country was under URSS sphere of influence for 50 years and I saw at my grandparents and my parents what this mean) and I hope that this humble mail will be a warning for what Microsoft is trying to do. I do not want my children to live in a Microsoft world and when Ill be very old my computer that will monitor my life signals to crush (or to breakdown) (oh, sorry Ive forgotten to say that after THEY become monopolistic in a special domain their products become unreliable and full of errors).

I think that will be best for all to listen to Sun Microsystem and Linux RedHat proposals.

Thank you, Alex

Please excuse my English.

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